CURRENT TOPICS

WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE WORLD.

THE United States Supreme Court has given a decision in the case of Tayor Stronder, plaintiff in error, versus the State of West Virginia. The question involved was the constitutionality of the act of the West Virginia Legislature excluding colored citizens from jury service in the courts of that State. The Court holds that when a colored citizen is tried for his life by a jury from which the citizens of his own race are by State statute expressly excluded he is denied the equal protection of law guaranteed by the third clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution, and that the State statute denying him such right is repugnant to said constitutional provision. Judgment of the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia is reversed. Justice Strong delivered the opinion, Justices Field and Clifford dissenting.

TUESDAY, March 2, the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Czar's accession, was celebrated with great splendor at the Russian Capital, the military display, however, being the principal feature of the occasion. There was a reception of dignitaries at the Winter Palace, and the Czar appeared on the balcony and saluted the multitude at a safe distance. Decrees prisoners, remitting arrears on taxes awarding orders of distinction.

THE House Committee on Ways and Means have virtually decided against any revision of the tariff laws at the resent session. The various propositins for the reduction of the duties on sugar, steel rails, paper, etc., were takn up and successively laid on the table There was no party division on any c the votes taken.

Av atempt to assassinate Gen. Melikoff was made at St. Petersburg on the 3d As 1e was alighting from his carrige at his residence a young man fired and injuries contracted in such service. athim with a revolver, the bullet passin; through the back folds of the Gento be a student. He feigned insanity wen arrested.

THE removal of the Indians from Colorado seems to be a determined fact, it being officially announced from Washington that the representatives of te various tribes now there have agreed the various tribes now there have agreed to accept the proposals the interior and cede the secretary of the Interior and cede the reservations to the Overnment. As soon as a definite unerstanding is reached the Secretary will ibmit details of the agreement to ongress. It is thought that the White ver Utes will be removed to the Uinh Reservation in Utah, and that Ourav d the Uncompangres will be settled severalty on land on the Grand River Utah. The Southern Utes will probly be located on a strip of land borred by the La Plata River, in New exico, and near the Navajo Reserva-

THE Mont St. Gothard Tunnel, nine iles in length, is practically cometed. It connects the railway systems

Germany, Switzerland and Italy, id as an engineering effort surpasses e Mont Cenis Tunnel, which has herefore given to France the practical onopoly of trans-Alpine railway

HE National Union Greenback-La-Convention was held in St. Louis 4th. Some 218 delegates were t, representing nineteen States. Stephen D. Dillaye, of New Jersels nominated for President, and Prehambers, of Texas, for Vicere79, The platform of March 4, Compsubstantially readopted. A cago 1 of Conference with the Chiwas applal Greenback Convention the Convd, and an adjournment of carried in to Chicago on June 9 position. face of considerable op-

THE Senat ations increas mmittee on Approprithe "star" maje amount granted for \$1,070,000, as vice deficiency from Committee, to sted by the House mittee, by a party 0,000. The Committee, by a party adopted a resolution censuring the staoffice Departs ment for "disregardi the law which prohibits expenditure the law which cess of appropriation, which do ficiency, unless supplied threatens to deprive the people of the increase services to which they are estary main services to which they are estary main services to which they are estary main the services the services are services as a service that the services are the services and the services are the services are the services are the services and the services are the servic

THE House Committee on Aropriations have determined to press , passage the several appropriation ills in order as follows: Deficiencies in by of Marshals, Diplomatic and Consular, Indian. The sub-committees in charge of the remaining regular appropriation bills which have not yet been acted on by Congress have been notified that they shall proceed with the bills now

under consideration and press them to

THE Parnell reception in St. Louis on the evening of the 4th was a grand affair. It took place in the Chamber of Commerce, which was crowded to its utmost capacity. Gov. Phelps and other distinguished citizens were present and took part in the proceedings. About \$3,600 was netted as the result of the taries.

THE Senate Committee on Appropriations will recommend for passage the bill to repeal all laws which provide for permanent and indefinite appropriations except so far as they relate to the sinking fund and to the payment of interest or principal of the public debt or of the bonds issued to the Pacific Railroad Companies and to certain other specified objects, such as the support of the Marine Hospital service, etc. The bill also proposes a number of important changes in the laws concerning "lapsed appro-

An additional report has been made by Maj.-Gen. Wright, Chief of Engineers, on the subject of establishing dams and reservoirs for the purpose of rendering the Upper Mississippi navigable throughout the summer season of low water. The report says that the plan is feasible, and that through its operation a reserve amounting to 56,-000,000,000 cubic feet of water can be accumulated and made available for doubling the depth of the river after the 15th of July. The first cost of the proposed system is estimated at \$400,000. and the annual expense of operation thereafter about \$7,840.

Edison is said to have invented a process for extracting the gold from ores were published, granting pardons to already used by miners-what are technically known as "tailings." A comowed by the rural population, and pany has been formed and purchased large quantities of these "tailings" in the mining districts of Virginia City and elsewhere, and will at once proceed to work them over by his process, the details of which are of course not made

THE Committee on Invalid Pensions have unanimously agreed to report favorably the bill introduced by Representative Clardy, of Missouri, providing for the payment of arrears of pensions to the widows and minor heirs of soldiers who died in the United States service during the war of the rebellion, or who have since died from wounds

THE Chinese are leaving San Franerl's cloak. The man was about to fire cisco by the car load for the Atlantic a scond time, when he was seized by a States. The recent action of the San Cssack. The would-be assassin is said Francisco Board of Health, ordering the depopulation of the Chinese quarter, the enforcement of the law against the employment of Chinese labor, and the prevailing low rates of fare have all combined to bring about the exo-

THE Select Committee of the House on the Inter-occasio Count have agreed present joint resolutions pledging the Government to maintain the Monroe doctrine in regard to all projects for Isthmus transit.

COUNT DE LESSEPS had an interview with President Hayes on the 6th, during which the inter-oceanic canal project was freely discussed. De Lessens stated that it was not contemplated that the canal should be under foreign control, but that he would be glad to have the majority of the stock placed in this

THE Duchess of Marlborough, writing to the Lord Mayor of London, March 7, says: "The distress in Iresome parts is increasing."

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

A NEGRO named Louis Kinder was hanged by a mob in Colleton County, S. C., on the night of the 1st, for committing an outrage upon a white woman.

REV. EDWARD COWLEY, ex-manager of the "Shepherd's Fold" in New York City, convicted of cruelty to children, has been taken to the State Penitentiary. The reverend convict was at one time Chaplain of that institution.

THE President has withdrawn the name of P. B. S. Pinchback as Naval Officer at New Orleans, thus leaving Lewis, incum-

bent, undisturbed. SURGEON-GENERAL WILLIAM MAX-WELL WOOD, U. S. Navy, died at his residence near Baltimore, Md., on the 1st, aged

THE report of the arrest of Vera Sassulitch proves to be unfounded.

GENS. GRANT and Sheridan, on the 2d. reviewed the troops stationed in the City of Mexico. It was a gala day in the Mexican

THE paper-makers of the Northwest are said to have combined for the purpose of making a vigorous effort to prevent legislation by Congress abolishing the tariff on articles used in paper manufacture.

JAMES MOREHEAD; a commercial traveler, representing the liquor house of Derby & Day, St. Louis, was shot by a waiter in an altercation at the St. Nicholas Hotel, Las Vegas, N. Mexico, on the morning of the 3d. He died before night. The shooting is said to have been done without any reasonable provocation.

J. W. MACKAY has purchased from J. C. Flood the latter's entire interest in the Comstock mines and mills, valued at something over \$5,000,000.

THE Kansas Democratic State Convention will be held at Topeka, May 26. COUNT LITTA, First Secretary of the Italian Legation at Washington, is dead. THE Indiana delegates-at-large to the icago Convention are said to be divided in heir Presidential preferences between

Gran. Blaine and Washburne. THE Greenbackers of the Seventh In

vention will be held at Lexington, June 17. THE House Committee on Commerce will make a favorable report on the bill introduced by Mr. Clardy, of Missouri, providing for the removal by the Lighthouse Board of wrecks and sunken vessels lying in the course of commerce and obstructing navigation in the Mississippi River and tribu-

THE London Times anticipates an unusually large emigration to America the

JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL has left Madrid for London to assume his duties as Minister to the Court of St. James.

THE Senate, on the 4th, rejected the nomination of Gen. McNeil, of St. Louis, as United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Missouri. The vote stood seven for confirmation and thirty-two for rejec-

DougLas, the Ute Chief, made a flying escape from his prison at Fort Leaven-

years of age. He maintained a stolid demeanor throughout his incarceration, and would only say in his own defense that he acted from principle and not from personal motives. He further said, as reported, that though he had failed in killing Gen. Melikoff some of his comrades would succeed.

ROYAL B. CONANT, ex-Cashier of the Elliott National Bank, of Boston, convicted of embezzlement, has been sentenced to seven years' imprisonment.

A SEVERE tornado occurred during the night of the 4th, causing much damage to property in Indianapolis, Louisville, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Toledo and other localities. In Toledo two men were killed by the falling of a chimney.

THE Tennessee Democratic State Convention has been called to meet at Nashville on June 8, to select delegates to the Cincinnati Convention.

WALTER KILGORE was hanged at Mexico, Mo., on the 5th, for the murder of L. D. Willingham in January, 1879. The The House held an evening session for the execution was witnessed by some five thou-JOSEPH CORE was hanged at Lebanon.

Mo., on the 5th, for the murder of W. H.

making the Department of Agriculture an executive department, and its head a member of the Cabinet. Representative Covert Chairman of the Committee, presented a mi-

nority report, signed by himself stone.

A ROSLEM CAPIOSION at Glasgow,
Scotland, on the 5th, resulted in the death of sixteen persons. On the same day Galbraith's spinning mill burned and two lives were lost.

THE principal shops of the Danforth Locomotive Works at Paterson, N. J., burned on the 6th. Three hundred men are thrown out of work.

MUNGER, MACK & Co's elevator. containing 170,000 bushels of grain, at Duluth, Minn., burned on the 6th.

THREE men were killed and two seri ously injured by a coal-mine explosion at Nanticoke, Pa., on the 5th. THE residence of Norman McLeod, at

Scottstown, Quebec, burned on the 6th, and his two children perished in the flames. A RIO JANEIRO dispatch of the 5th gives a brief statement that the Chilian fleet

had attacked Arica, and that the commander land continues to be general, and in of the iron-clad Huascar was killed during the engagement. THE Treasury Department announces the existence of counterfeit \$100.bills on the

following banks: National Revere Bank, Boston; Pittsfield National Bank, Pittsfield; Merchants's National Bank, New Bedford; second National Bank, Wilkesbarre: Pittsburg National Bank of Commerce. The counterfeit notes on the banks mentioned are so admirably executed they are liable to deceive even experts.

THE large wholesale dry-goods house of Ambach, Finch, Culbertson & Co., at St. Paul, Minn., was totally destroyed by fire on the 7th. The building cost \$90,000 and the stock of goods was valued at \$852,000. Both were insured for about one-half the sums

COL. B. J. CHAMBERS, nominated by the Greenback Convention at St. Louis for Vice-President of the United States, is a resident of Cleburne, Johnson County, Texas, and is regarded as one of the wealthiest men in the State. He is a lawyer, and at one time was engaged in the banking business. During the canvass of 1879 he published an open letter to Senator Coke, taking issue with him on the financial question, which gave him considerable political noto

THE French Government refused to surrender Hartmann, the Russian charged with being connected with the Moscow explosion, but ordered him to leave France. He is said to be now in London.

A JOHN M. PALMER Presidential Club has been organized at Springfield, Ill. MUCH of the fall-sown winter wheat in central Wisconsin has been ruined by the alternation of freezing and thawing weather he past winter.

CHARLES ALSBERGE, a French tailor in Chicago, died from hydrophobia on the 6th, caused by the bite of a dog about two nonths previous.

FORTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

MARCH 2.-Senate-Mr. Hoar offered olution, instructing the Committee on Juliciary to inquire and report "whether any American citizens have been arrested or impresented for the exercise of their constitutional right to petition this body concerning a matter of great public interest, namely, the title to a seat in this body of a Senator from the State of which they are citizens, with the

diana District have renominated Gilbert De
La Matyr for Congress.

The Kentucky Democratic State Convention will be held at Levington June 17.

MARCH 3 .- Senate-Several bills were reported, among them one by Mr. Vest, for the rection of a public building at Hannibal, Mo. Mr. Thurman, from the Judiciary Committee, reported adversely on House bills for the removal of political disabilities of individuals. Mr. Carpenter submitted a resolution instructing the Committee on Judiciary to ining escape from his prison at Fort Leavenworth, on the 4th. He outran all his pursuers on foot, but was finally overtaken and recaptured by a soldier on horseback.

MARSH DYER, Wm. Wolfe and W. E. Ames, three well-to-do farmers of Caseyville, Union County, Ky., and a colored man accompanying them, were drowned on the morning of the 4th by the upsetting of a skiff.

THE would-be assassin of Gen. Melikoff was tried on the 4th and executed by hanging on the 5th. His real name was Melodetsky; he was a native of Minsk, thirty years of age. He maintained a stolid de-

MARCH 4 .- Senate-Mr. Vest, from the Committee on Territories, reported the bill to establish a United States Court in the Indian Territory. Placed on the calendar, Mr. Morgan introduced a joint resolution declaring Indians to be citizens of the United States and of the State where they reside, and that no State shall make or enforce any law abridging their privileges or immunities as citizens of the United States. Referred to the Judiciary Committee. Mr. Harris introduced a bill making the crime of rape punishable with death. House bill making additional appropriations of \$135,000 for the support of certain Indian tribes for the year ending June 30, 1830, passed. At the conclusion of the morning hour Mr. Logan continued his speech in opposition to the bill for the

MARCH 5 .- Senate-Mr. Baldwin, from the Committee on Commerce, reported adversely on the House bill to amend the statutes rela-Mo., on the 5th, for the murder of W. H.

King in September last. From six to ten thousand spectators witnessed the hanging.

A Berlin dispatch says that, with a view to affording Bismarck further relief from his arduous duties, Count Von Stolberg Wernigerode, Vice-President of the Council of Ministers, will be appointed Prussian Premier.

The Ohio Prohibitionists held a State Convention at Columbus on the 5th and placed in nomination a full ticket of State officers and Presidential Electors-at-large.

Representative Aiken, of the Committee on Agriculture, has introduced a bill making the Department of Agriculture an expensive department and its head a man.

March 6.—Senate—Mr. Teller introduced tive to the importation of neat cattle. In-

MARCH 6 .- Senate-Mr. Teller introduced a bill to enable town sites to be entered on public lands in accordance with the suggestions made in Some private bills were disposed of, when Mr. Carpenter made a speech in opposition to the Fitz John Porter bill......

MARCH 8 .- Senate-Mr. Kirkwood submitted a resolution instructing the Secretary of the Treasury to communicate to the Senate a statement of the amount of money expended by the United States for all purposes necessarily growing out of the late war, specifying separately the amount paid on the principal of the public debt thereby incurred, the amount of the interest paid on such debt for each year, the amount paid for pensions, including arrears, and the amount paid soldiers and sailors of the war, such informatian to be brought down to January 1, 1880. Adopted. The bill far the relief of homestead settlers on public lands, amending homestead laws in several particulars, passed. The morning hour having expired, the Senate resumed the consideration of the bill for the relief of Fitz John Porter. Mr. Bayard addressed the Senate advocating the adoption of Mr. Randolph's substitute, authorizing Gen. Porter's reappointment as Colonel. A message was received from the President (but not read or laid before the Senate) relative to the Inter-oceanic Canal.....

House—The Speaker announced the new rules operative to-day, and called the States for bills, etc., in alphabetical order. Several bills were introduced, reducing the tariff on paper and chemicals used in its manufacture, all of which were referred. Other bills inof the Treasury to communicate to the Sen bills, etc., in alphabetical order. Several bills were introduced, reducing the tariff on paper and chemicals used in its manufacture, all of which were referred. Other bills introduced were: by Mr. Fort (R., III.)— Granting pensions to all soldiers and sailors of all wars, who for any reason other than their wrong acts became incapacitated to labor or earn a livelihood for themselves and who have no means of support; by Mr. Giliette (Gr., Iowa)—Appropriating 550,000 to enable the Commissioner of Agriculture to encourage the manufacture of sagar from cornstalks and sorghum. Mr. Scales (D., N. C.), Chairman of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to allot lands in severalty to Indians. Ordered printed and recommitted. Mr. King (D., La.), Chairman of the Interior cocanic Canal Committee, offered, by unanimous instruction, that committee's resolutions reaffirming the Monroe doctrine. Mr. Sawyer (D., Mo.) from the Committee on Elections, reported a resolution (signed by all members of that committee with the exception of Mr. Weaver), declaring W. S. Slemons entitled to his seat as Representative from the Second District of Arkansas. Mr. Weaver submitted a resolution declaring the seat valuation become ordered printed

mitted a resolution declaring the seat va-cant. Both resolutions were ordered printed and laid on the table. The Speaker laid before the House a message from the President in regard to the inter-oceanic canal, which was ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Inter-oceanic Canal.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

THE anti-Chinese excitement in San Francisco has been further heightened by the concentration there of a large number of United States troops, under command of Gen. McDowell, by orders from Washington. As a further measure of precaution, the arms belonging to the militia have been removed from several of the city areenals and placed in secure places, the reason assigned by officials being that the arsenals and their contents were exposed to capture by the disorderly classes in case of a riot. Plaare posted about the city, signed by the "Council of Thirteen, warning employers of Chinese to discharge them. The workingmen are greatly agitated by the military movements, and their leaders charge the authorities with trying to force an outbreak.

THE House Committee on Coinage. Weights and Measures have agreed to report favorably Representative Fort's bill to provide for the exchange of trade-dollars for legal-tender silver dollars.

An explosion in the artillery barracks at Santiago, Chili, killed twenty-four persons and injured many others.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

The saw and planing mills of H. Hermann of Boonville, which for the last two years have been doing a large and prosperous business in sawing, drying and planing walnut and other valuable timber, and ship-ping it to the furniture factories East, susended work on the 1st on notice from the proprietor of a strike among his employees in the East. The mills employed from fifty to a hundred men.

In the case of Elijah Gates, State Treasu. er, vs. the Mastin Bank and their securities, a change of venue has been granted from Clay to Buchanan County.

The capital stock of the Bank of Kansas City has been increased from \$100,000 to

Following is the report of the State Au- litor for the month of February, 1880:				
Funds.	Balance Feb. 1, 1880.	Receipts in February.	Balance March 1, 1880.	
Revenue	727,520 01	\$195,668 39 100,558 87		
Sinking School Insurance	457 11	1,431 55	1,000 0 457 1 176 7	
Road and Canal	ATT THE TANK	1,801 00	386 7	
Seminary Militis	82 25		95 0 82 2	
Sch'l M'n'ys Exec'rs and Adm'rs	14,388 26	433 35	120,540 0	
Earnings Mo Penitent'y	11 1 000 000 000	11,256 16	1,003 8	
Total	\$1 144 416 19	6010 246 20	E1 000 970 S	

otal.... \$1,144,416 19 \$219,348 32 \$1,288,372 8 Warrants were drawn on the Revenue fund for \$72,703.93; on the Insurance fund for \$1,431.55; and on the Earnings of the Penitentiary for \$11,256.16-making a tota of \$75,391.64.

The morning of the 1st a quarrel occurred between Mr. John Flanders, an old farmer residing six miles south of Brownington, in St. Clair County, and Mr. Dane Kidd. Mr. Flanders rented a farm from Mr. Kidd about a year ago and on the first day of March he prepared to vacate the premises by a previous arrangement with Mr. Kidd. Both men went on the farm occupied by Mr. F., when they indulged in a war of words. In the course of their quarrel, Mr. Kidd knocked Flanders down, and afterwards fired several shots at him, each one of which took effect—one in the gentleman's left hip, and the others in his neck. It was thought Flanders could not recover.

At Glasgow, the night of the 2d, a very bad negro man named Alex. Maupin was shot and killed almost instantly by unknown parties. About one o'clock two men appeared at the house of Richard Hughes, a egro, living in the edge of town, and asked if Alex. Maupin was in. They were informed that he lived in the basement below. The men then made Hughes call Maupin out. Shortly after this time shots were heard, and when persons in the vicinity investigated the affair the body of Maupin was found lying on its face in the yard of Mr. John Huber, near by. After the shooting the two men were seen to stand near the fence in front of Maupin's house for a few moments seemingly engaged in earnest conversation, when they slowly walked away.

W. H. Grisham, Presiding Justice of the County Court of Stone County, tendered his resignation to the Governor on the 11th of February on account of ill health, but on the 3d inst. was allowed to withdraw the resignation and will continue in office.

vacancy existing in the Co Randolph County, occasioned by the death of Judge White, and the citizens of Moberly being desirous of holding a mass meeting to test the sense of the people as to their choice for appointment, the Governor has agreed not to Quite a serious accident occurred near Brooks's Saw Mill, on the L., R., V. and A. Railroad, in New Madrid County, on the 2d. Charles Hodges, a brakeman, was standing on the pilot of the engine while making a running switch, and as the engine was backing he drew the coupling-pin, and, it is supposed, made an effort to jump on the approaching cars, but failed, and was, consequently thrown between the rails, and two ears passed over him, crushing and mangling his body considerably, there being only six inches of space between the brake beams

Fund.	Balances Jan. 31, 1880.	Receipts in Feb., 1880.	Bolances Feb. 29, 1880.
Revenue	\$ 288,186 99	\$ 105,668 29	\$ 342,834 80
Interest	727,520 01	100,558 87	828,078 88
Sinking	1,000 00	*********	1,000 00
School	457 11		457 11
School mo-	100000000		Transport of
neys	121,922 11	**********	121,922 11
Seminary	95 08	*********	95 0
Ex'rs. and		404.44	14.000 04
Adm'rs	14,395 60	433 35	14,828 90
Redempt'n			9.50
Land	9 58	1,431 55	176 7
Ins. Dep't	176 71	1,431 55	110 11
Road and	****	and the same	412 45
Canal	412 49	***********	
Militin	82 25	*********	82 2
Earnings of		11 450 10	1 002 0
Penit'ry	1 003 85	11,256 16	1,003 K

Totals. \$1,155,261 78 \$ 219,348 32 \$1,310,891 81 There was disbursed from the Revenue fund the sum of \$51,030.58; from the Insurance Department fund, \$1,431.55; and from the earnings of the Penitentiary, \$11,256.16. The balance of \$1,310,891.81 is held and deposited as follows:

Bank of Commerce, St. Louis, Mo. \$1,008,003 72 National Bank State of Missouri,

At Otterville, the afternoon of the 7th. T-Small and one James Crabtree, meeting on the street, an altercation ensued ovasome triding matter, when there were some hard words used. Crabtree remarked that it was an old saying that it was " a long lane that has no turning," and turned away. He proceeded to invest himself with a revolver, and going to Small's residence called him out and remarked that it was not necessary for them to have any difficulty, and though they could settle the matter. Small told him to come in the morning, and they would adjust the matter agreeably to both parties, and turned to go into the house, when Crabtree fired three shots at him, one entering at the point of the right shoulder, passing through the body and lodging just under the skin in his right breast. Crabtree made

THE very latest story of absent mindedness has for its hero a Massachusetts clergyman, who one day drove up to a blacksmith shop and asked how long it would take to shoe his horse. "An hour," said the smith. "Very well, I'll leave him and call for him;" and, unhitching the animal and leading him into the shop, the parson climbed back into his carriage, picked up the reins which had been left resting on the dashboard, and there sat until his horse was shod and he was aroused from his brown study by a shout from the

The Cowdon plan is recited, and condemned in all its parts.

In respect to the levees, the Commission say that they do exert a direct action in deepening the channel and enlarging the bed of the river during the periods of rise when they cause the water to rise to a higher level than if dispersed. During the period when the levees were in their most perfect condition, from 1850 to 1858, the channel of the river was better for purposes of navigation than it has from 1850 to 1858, the channel of the river was better for purposes of navigation than it has been since. It is argued that the immediate effect of the levees would be to increase the volume and accelerate the velocity of flood water, resulting in an erosion and deepening of the river-bed; and that a closure of the crevasses might be expected to accelerate the removal of the shoals which have been produced by them, and if their closure be accompanied by a contraction of the channel, cause a lowering of the surface-slope to such an extent as will render the maintenance of levees above Red River as an aid to navigation practically needless. The repairs and maintenance of extensive lines of levees already existing will hasten the work of chanelimprovement and promote and facilitate commerce.

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The Commission propose to work to acour out and maintain a channel through sheals and bars existing in portions of the river where the width is excessive, and build up new banks and develop new shore-lines, so as to establish the requisite conditions of a uniform velocity for all stages of the river. This impovement can be accomplished below Cairo by constructing a low-water cannelway to a uniform width of 3,000 feet, for the nurnose of scouring out a channel through

way to a uniform width of 3,000 feet, for the purpose of scouring out a channel through shoals and bars. It is thought that this plan will secure a channel of ten feet at the extreme low stage of the river, over all bars below Cairo. The Commission favor the general rule that the channel should be fixed in its present location, and that no attempt be made to straighten the river or shorten by cut-offs. The works of channel-construction and bank-pretection recommended during the fiscal year, and confined to the length of 200 miles, embrace New Madrid, Plum Point, Memphis, Helena, Choctaw Bend, and Lake Providence. The estimates for this year are \$4,113,000, for closing gaps in levees \$1,000,000, and checking the enlargement of the Atchafalaya outlet \$10,000.

Conclusion of Negotiations with th

SYNOPSIS OF THE NEW AGREEMENT. Negotiations with the Utes were co

Negotiations with the Utes were concluded to-day. The formal agreement provides in the first paragraph on the part of the Indians that they will procure the surrender of those of their nation implicated in the murder of Agent Meek and his employees, and in the first paragraph on the part of the Indians that they will procure the surrender of those of their nation implicated in the murder of Agent Meek and his employees, and in the first paragraph codes to the United States directed to make the arrests.

The second paragraph codes to the United States all the territory of the present Ute Reservation in Colorado, one quarter section (160 acres) of agricultural land and a like quantity of grazing land to each head of a family, and one-half this quantity to each single person, being set apart for the settlement of the Indians. The southern Utes agree to settle upon unoccupied agricultural lands on the La Piata River, Colorado, and New Mexico, or in that vicinity; the Uncompaheres go to Grand River, near the mouth of the Gunnison, Colorado; the White River Utes will take up lands on the Uintah Reservation, Utah. The Indians are to select their own allotments of lands in these locations. Provision is made for roads and highways. This agreement is entered into by the Ute Chiefs, who promise to obtain the consent of their people to the cession of their reservation upon the following expressed conditions:

First—The Government to surrey and patent to the Indians in severalty the lands reserved for them, goings a fee essay laws are passed by Congress; this title to remain inalienable and the lands not taxable for twenty five years.

Second—That, so soon as the consent of the

passed by Congress; this title to remain inalienable and the lands not taxable for twenty-five years.

Second—That, so soon as the consent of the
several tribes of the Ute Nation shall
have been obtained to this agreement, the annuities heretofore provided
for by Congress, amounting at this time to
\$60,000, will be paid to the Indians in cash, and
as much more will be added as Congress shall
appropriate. This annuity is to be paid in
cash at the request of the Indians, the President having the discretion to pay it in eash
or stock, wagons and agricultural implements,
etc. The latter are to be furnished sufficient
for their reasonable wants; also such eaw
and grist mills as may be necessary
to enable them to commence farming operations as soon as their settlement is effected.
A commission will be appointed to superintend their settlement, and to attend to carrying out this agreement; and the money appropriated by Congress for this purpose shall
be apportioned as follows: One-third to those
who settle on the La Plata River; one-half to
those on the Grand River; and one-sixth to
those going to the Uintah Reservation.

Third—In addition, as pay for their lands,
the Utes are to receive an annuity of \$50,000,
to be distributed among them per capita, and
their present annuity of \$25,000 is to be continued. The support of the Utes until they
can become self-supporting, and the education of their children, is provided for.

THE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, March PORK-Mess.....ST. LOUIS HOGS—Common to Select.?.. STEEP—Common to Choice... FLOUR—Choice...